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House File 481

March 12, 1947.  
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By APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE.

## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section two hundred forty-one point twenty-one (241.21), Code 1946, providing for the disposition of unexpended funds remaining from any appropriation or allocation made by the state to the fund for aid to the blind.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

- 1 Section 1. That section two hundred forty-one point
- 2 twenty-one (241.21), Code 1946, is hereby amended by adding
- 3 thereto the following paragraph:
- 4 "Any unexpended balance of the funds appropriated or
- 5 allocated by the state which remains in the fund for aid to the
- 6 blind at the end of each biennium shall not revert to the
- 7 general fund of the state any law to the contrary notwithstanding."

### EXPLANATION OF H. F. 481

The money in the fund for Aid to the Blind is made up of state, county and federal funds. It would be very difficult to take an immense amount of time to try and separate these funds and determine exactly how much remains from appropriations made by the state. The time involved in getting this done would cost considerable money. It would seem to be a needless expense. In addition, the state board of social welfare is very short of help.

The budget prepared by the state board and the recommendations of the comptroller and governor to the legislature took into consideration the amount now on hand. If the bill is now passed, the budget will need to be revamped and the money which would revert, would need to be re-appropriated.

No attempt has been made in past years to make such separation because of these difficulties. The balance has been permitted to remain in the fund and appropriations by each legislature took this into consideration. Now this action has been questioned and the above act is intended to remove such question.